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For: **IMPROVEMENT OF SIOC PROPERTIES AND ITS UNIFORMITY IN BULK FOR DAMASCENE APPLICATIONS**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ **3** sheets of drawing(s) - formal.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to **Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co.**
- ☐ An associate power of attorney ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
- ☐ Request & Certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(b)(i)

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